

REVISED DRAFT HANFORD SOLID WASTE EIS
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1 | You may get away with burying us in
2 | paper - All kinds of "dirty" tricks could be
3 | hidden in there. We want Hanford's dirty
4 | poisonous waste cleaned up - not just stored
5 | and quietly ignored. If you have to
6 | skip a war or two, defund a bunch of
7 | military complexes to have enough
funding to do it - then so be it! At
least you'll be able to sleep at night.
The Universe is watching. Was our
precious Earth, created over eons, made
for a higher purpose than the current
Superpowers lust to control the world?
The current administration will pass
away, we must keep honest clean up alive.

① Extend the public comment period on
the EIS to allow necessary public participation.

② No more waste transported and
dumped with an inadequate SWEIS at Hanford.

③ The stop work alternative is unrealistic & non-compliant!

③ Rapidly improve monitoring on the
groundwater problems in the burial grounds
not a kilometer away.

④ use Washington State Standards
for groundwater protection. At this
rate, DOE "standards" will soon be
non-existent!

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Dear Mr Collins,

Perhaps our present administration is attempting to show interest in cleaning up the homeland. The shipping of off-site waste to Hanford poses a greater health risk both during transportation and on site, where storage is already unsafe. Worse yet, the incoming chemical and nuclear waste will likely put a halt to the ongoing cleanup work, long overdue at the Hanford Reserve. This solid waste EIS is an inadequate study.

By doubling the present radioactive waste at Hanford with a mixture of high level, low level, and transuranic waste, there are cumulative risks that need to be evaluated. There are no plans in place to line and monitor the trenches. The potential reactions must be well studied before the environmental impact can be ascertained. The longterm impacts to groundwater, the Columbia River, public health, and the complete ecosystem must be included. Omissions are unacceptable.

Since NEPA states there be adequate time to review and comment, USDOE should have allowed a comment period extension. With this declined, the process is unacceptable.

The NW region must be rendered safe from present contamination and not be further made into a national dump but cleanup dollars must come without more waste.

Thank you, Written comments may be submitted to: Jane Camero

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Dear Mr. Collins,

While visiting in Oregon, I have become aware of the major problems in shipping of radioactive and chemical waste to Hanford as well as problems of cleanup and storage. Input from the public is essential and needs to take place over the period of a year or more in order for issues, pros and cons, to be heard.

New Mexico had and has a very similar issue with waste disposal of nuclear materials in Carlsbad, N.M. Salt mines. Roads were built and transportation. Axienda major cities were designated. Nuclear waste spills also happen!

Waste that we have created must be disposed of but it must be done with careful planning so as not to contaminate the ground and rivers of our beautiful country.

An extension is necessary to properly prepare for cleanup of Hanford without adding additional waste.

Sincerely,

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5-21-03

To Whom It May Concern,

I am, well actually my whole family is against this solid waste EIS, at Hanford. We believe Hanford needs to be cleaned up and all waste should be LINED. We believe this is a PRIORITY!

Please withdraw this EIS and come back with one that's best for everyone and our earth.

Sincerely,

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Consider this!
what about terrorist attacks on waste facilities?
what about Bechtel?

pattern in history
public lied
to by those w/
enormous power

facts
good

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5/13/03

Dear Mr. Collins,

Thank you for the DOE's public meeting today in Portland to receive comments regarding the revised EIS for Hanford and for this second EIS's inclusion of issues brought up by citizens at earlier meetings and comment periods. However, the current EIS is inadequate. It does not give a commitment to end the DOE's use of unlined trenches to store radioactive wastes (which the DOE is currently doing despite the fact this is illegal and goes against the commitment of DOE staff to end this practice). Also, there is not an analysis of pre-1972 wastes currently contaminating the Hanford site. Why is this? So legally and morally a new EIS is needed. More importantly an actual commitment to clean-up Hanford is needed. Waste is leaking into the soil and water ~~there~~ which is lethal/carcinogenic/sickening to all beings. So if the American public knew what is going on at Hanford they would be outraged. They would, and I do, say, "Clean up Hanford as well as possible ASAP!" No more wastes trucked to Hanford."

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Some questions:

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1) Has the DOE looked into safeguarding Hanford from terrorist attacks? If so, why was this not in the EIS. In addition, how safe is it to truck waste

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to Hanford? I think not very safe, as accidents or intentional targeting of trucks filled with waste would be a disaster and cost you your job.

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2) Why have there been so many problems with contractors to clean up Hanford? Does this reflect poorly on the DOE? Betchel Corp. was fined \$3 million a while back for doing a poor job. Did they receive the contract because of political connection and not based on merit? How can we trust them to do a good job (and a fast job) when they have already messed up badly?

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Dear Mr. Collins,

I am quite concerned about what has gone on and what continues to go on at the Hanford Nuclear Site. While the revised EIS has done a better job of assessing the implications of doubling the amount of nuclear waste at Hanford, there remain too many troubling issues. How much new waste is to be brought in? Where are the guarantees to NOT use unlined trenches? What are the impacts of doubling the current waste? What about an analysis of the pre 1972 wastes? What about an assessment of the dangers of trucking this waste from Ohio and California; there is NO WAY to make trucking anything completely safe!

It makes no sense to import further nuclear waste to Hanford; the only moral, safe, responsible thing to do is to do everything imaginable to clean up the dreadful, dangerous mess that is currently at the site before it ruins the magnificent Columbia River + kills everything downstream. And NOT to add further hazardous material to Hanford.

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MR. COLLINS:

I appreciate your efforts to ~~open~~
bring this issue to ~~the~~ ~~Public Forum~~
the Public Forum. Our current
administration seeks to cover up their
indiscretions when it comes to environmental
policies. Public awareness is key
in resolving the Hanford crisis.
Our lives in the Northwest are at
stake as long as the D.O.E. does
little or nothing to clean up the
mess. The damage has already been
done - it is irreparable and the
results disastrous. Please help end
the environmental atrocities ^{being} committed
by our unscrupulous administration.

Thank you for your continued
consideration.

P.S. 70,000 TRUCKLOADS of ^{Radio-active} waste

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